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PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0359

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Shinobu KURIYA ) Group Art Unit: 2136  
Application No.: 10/624,019 ) Examiner: Okoronkwo, C. C.  
Filed: July 21, 2003 ) Confirmation No: 5079  
For: INFORMATION PROCESSING )  
APPARATUS, INFORMATION )  
PROCESSING METHOD, AND )  
COMPUTER PROGRAM USED )  
THEREWITH )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed February 5, 2008, the period for response to which extends through May 5, 2008 please amend the above-identified application as set forth in the following pages.

**Amendments to the Claims** are included in this paper beginning on page 2.

**Remarks** follow the Amendments to the Claims section of this paper.